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CLAIMS

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- A method of detecting a selected portion of a data packet, comprising the steps of:
 defining a reference signal waveform conforming to an expected waveform
 representing a signal modulated in accordance with a selected portion of a data packet;
 - receiving a data signal containing a data packet with said selected portion;

deriving a waveform representing said data signal;

- correlating said reference signal waveform with said waveform representing said data signal to produce a correlation result; and
- 10 identifying said selected portion in said data signal in accordance with said correlation result.
 - The method of claim 1, wherein said waveform representing said data signal is derived to represent a characteristic of modulation of said data signal in accordance with data in said data packet.
 - 3. The method of claim 2, wherein said data signal is a frequency-shift keyed signal and said waveform representing said data signal is derived to represent frequency deviation of said data signal as a function of time.
 - 4. The method of claim 1, wherein said selected portion is a preamble of a data packet.
 - 5. The method of claim 4, wherein said preamble has a plurality of values which can correlate with said reference signal waveform, including the step of examining a second part of the data packet to confirm identification of said preamble.
 - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said data packet is a Bluetooth data packet.
 - 7. The method of claim 6, wherein said reference signal waveform is a cosine waveform.
 - 8. The method of claim 6, wherein a portion of a sync word in the data packet is examined to confirm identification of said preamble.
- 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the six most significant bits of the sync word are 35 examined to confirm identification of said preamble.
 - 10. The method of claim 1, wherein said data packet is a DECT data packet.